

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

1. (Currently Amended) A routing apparatus for guaranteeing Quality of Service (QoS) in the Internet, comprising:

a QoS edge routing means at a transmitter for receiving an allocating resource request from a transmitting node, setting a first path at a QoS data rate by signaling for setting the first path and transferring data at the QoS data rate through the first path by receiving a transferring data request from the transmitting node;

at least one QoS core routing means for receiving the allocating resource request from the QoS edge routing means at the transmitter, setting a second path at the QoS data rate by signaling for setting the second path and transferring data at the QoS data rate through the second path by receiving the transferring data request from the QoS edge routing means at the transmitter; and

a QoS edge routing means at a receiver for receiving the allocating resource request from the at least one QoS core routing means, setting a third path at the QoS data rate by signaling for setting the third path and transferring data at the QoS data rate through the third path by receiving the transferring data request from the at least one QoS core routing means,

wherein the transmitting node separates multimedia application data and general application data, and the QoS data rate is based on a required data rate for guaranteeing QoS based on application type, a QoS data rate for multimedia applications is guaranteed and a QoS data rate for general applications data is not guaranteed, where the QoS data rate for multimedia applications is prioritized over the QoS data rate for general applications by transmitting multimedia application data over a reserved path from one of the first, second, and third paths.

2. (Previously Presented) The routing apparatus as recited in the claim 1, wherein the QoS edge routing means at the transmitter monitors whether a quantity of data transferred from the transmitting node is smaller than the allocated resource.

3. (Currently Amended) A routing method for guaranteeing Quality of Service (QoS) in the Internet, comprising the steps of:

a) receiving an allocating resource request from a transmitting node and setting a path to a receiving node at a QoS data rate by signaling of each router, a QoS edge router at a transmitter, a QoS core router and a QoS edge router at a receiver, for setting a resource path; and

b) receiving a transferring data request from the transmitting node and transferring data at the QoS data rate to the receiving node through the resource path reserved by the QoS edge router at the transmitter, the QoS core router and the QoS edge router at the receiver,

wherein the transmitting node separates multimedia application data and general application data, and the QoS data rate is based on required data rate for guaranteeing QoS based on application type, a QoS data rate for multimedia applications is guaranteed and a QoS data rate for general applications data is not guaranteed, where the QoS data rate for multimedia applications is prioritized over the QoS data rate for general applications by transmitting multimedia application data over a reserved path from one of the first, second, and third paths.

4. (Currently Amended) A computer readable recording medium containing computer executable instructions to perform a method, the method comprising::

a) receiving an allocating resource request from a transmitting node and setting a resource path to a receiving node at a Quality of Service (QoS) data rate by signaling of each router, a QoS edge router at a transmitter, a QoS core router and a QoS edge router at a receiver, for setting the resource path; and

b) receiving a transferring data request from the transmitting node and transferring data at the QoS data rate to the receiving node through the resource path reserved by the QoS edge router at the transmitter, the QoS core router and the QoS edge router at the receiver,

wherein the transmitting node separates multimedia application data and general application data, and the QoS data rate is based on required data rate for guaranteeing QoS based on application type, and the computer executable instructions are

implemented in a high capacity microprocessor included in a routing apparatus for guaranteeing QoS in the Internet, a QoS data rate for multimedia applications is guaranteed and a QoS data rate for general applications data is not guaranteed, where the QoS data rate for multimedia applications is prioritized over the QoS data rate for general applications by transmitting multimedia application data over a reserved path from one of the first, second, and third paths.